

HF Happenings

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The photograph in HF Happenings 518 was taken at Golden Gate and shows the hotel opposite the Brandwag.

SARL HF CW Contest

The aim of the HF Contests is for participants to contact as many amateurs in Southern Africa (General Rules para 1.b.) as possible on 20, 40 and 80 metres. The SARL HF CW contest will be run from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC [15:00 to 18:00 CAT] on Sunday 26 August with activity on 14 000 to 14 060 kHz; 7 000 to 7 025 kHz and 3 510 to 3 560 kHz

Participation can be as a a) Single Operator Single Band; b) Single Operator All Band; c) Multi Operator Single Band or d) Multi Operator All Band. Individual competitors and club stations are encouraged to compete. The exchange is a RST report and a consecutive serial number starting at 001.

Each digital QSO counts 2 point. Count two points for each area (see below) on each band and count 2 points for each station contacted on all three bands.

The areas are - Area 1: ZS1 Western Cape; Area 2: ZS2 Eastern Cape; Area 3: ZS3 Northern Cape; Area 4: ZS4 Free State; Area 5: ZS5 KwaZulu-Natal; Area 6: ZS6 Gauteng, Mpumalanga; Limpopo and North West; Area 7: 3B8 Mauritius, 3DA Swaziland, 7P Lesotho, 7Q Malawi, C9 Mozambique, Z2 Zimbabwe, 5R Madagascar, FR Reunion Island and FH Mayotte and Area 8: 9J Zambia, A2 Botswana, D2 Angola, V5 Namibia, ZD9 Gough and Tristan da Cunha Islands, ZS7 Antarctica and ZS8 Marion Island. Contacts with stations outside these areas are allowed, QSO points may be claimed but no zone or three-bander points may be claimed.

Certificates are awarded to the first three places and the highest single band score in each contest. There is also a trophy for the highest combined score in three contests.

Logs must be sent to the Bloemfontein ARC, Box 33211, Fichardt Park, 9317 or by e-mail to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za by Sunday 26 August. Please read General Rule 5 and 6 before submitting your log sheet.

As of Thursday afternoon 23 August, the contest committee has received five logs with two on their way for the SARL HF Digital Contest.

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2012 SARL HF Phone Contest Results

The contest committee received 26 single operator logs, 1 multi-operator log and 2 check logs for the SARL HF Phone Contest held on Sunday 5 August 2012. Log submissions are down on previous years. Many of the radio amateurs who submitted logs did not read General Rule 5 and 6 of the 2012 SARL Contest Manual, giving the committee extra work!

During the cross checking of logs, it was noted that there are differences in the time a contact was logged, sometimes up to 15 minutes. Check you watch and the PC clock before the contest starts. The complete exchange must be logged. Unfortunately a few duplicate contacts were found in some logs - and points had to be subtracted.

Then just a reminder - there is no reciprocal between Lesotho and SA. A call like 7P8DG/ZS4 would only be valid if the person is a resident in Lesotho and had asked ICASA for written permission to operate in SA.

The results are as follows:

Single Operator

1st Hans Kappetijn, ZS6KR - 175 points (2012 Silent Keys Memorial Trophy SSB)

2nd Theunis Potgieter, ZS2EC - 163 points

3rd Brendan Muller, ZS4BM - 151 points

Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A - 151 points (2012 Joseph White Trophy)

5th Rohan Schreuder, ZS6RJS - 148 points

6th Mitchell Mynhaardt, ZS6YH - 131 points

7th John Kramer, ZS5J - 125 points

8th Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT - 124 points

9th Pam Momberg, ZS6APT - 121 points

10th Quartus de Witt, ZS6EE - 119 points

11th Dirk, ZS6AKU - 101 points

Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL - 101 points

13th Marius Snyman, ZR6MS - 93 points

14th Noel Hammond, ZR6DX - 88 points

15th Nigel Burgess, ZR6NGB - 80 points

16th Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE - 76 points

17th Sean Pritchard, ZS5X - 70 points

18th Roy McKay, ZS6RLM - 57 points

19th Bruce Rowan, ZS6BK - 56 points

Pierre Holtzhausen, ZS6PJH - 56 points

21th Petrus Greyling, ZS6PGN - 51 points

22th Kurt Linsin, ZS5KL - 50 points

23rd Gideon Jannasch, ZS4GJA - 47 points

24th Johan Roos, ZS4KB - 37 points

25th Evan Seligman, ZS6ELI - 26 points

26th Welkom Radio Club, ZS4WRC - 9 points

Multi-Operator

1st Francois Reyneke, ZS6FDX, Hendrik Rudman, ZS6RHL, and Ivan Pleho, ZS6IVP, operating as ZS6FDX - 148 points

Check log

Derek Stuart, ZS2J - 54 points





Bruce Dunn, ZS5XT - 29 points

Highest Score on a single band

20 metres

1st Francois Reynecke and friends, ZS6FDX - 10 points

2nd Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT - 8 points

40 metres

1st Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A - 151 points (2012 Joseph White Trophy - highest score on a single band)

2nd Rohan Schreuder, ZS6RJS - 148 points

3rd Mitchell Mynhaardt, ZS6YH - 131 points

80 metres

1st Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT - 45 points

2nd Hans Kappetijn, ZS6KR - 42 points

Club Contest

The radio amateurs from the East Rand Branch have put in a great effort for the phone contest and submitted their logs. It is going to be difficult to beat them this year!

1st East Rand Branch, 551 points

2nd West Rand ARC, 246 points

3rd Pretoria ARC, 223 points

4th Magalies ARC, 170 points

5th Port Elizabeth ARS, 163 points

6th Bloemfontein ARC, 151 points

7th Zululand ARC, 125 points

8th Centurion ARC, 121 points

9th Sandton ARC, 95 points

10th Lichtenburg ARC, 76 points

11th Highway ARC, 70 points

12th Durban ARC, 50 points

13th Sasolburg ARC, 47 points

14th Welkom RC, 46 points

Congratulations to Hans, Pierre and the East Rand Branch!

SARL YL Sprint

The Contest Committee received seven contest logs and two check logs for the SARL YL Sprint held on Thursday 9 August 2012.

1st Judy Pretorius, ZS6JDY - 142 points

2nd Pam Momberg, ZS6APT - 137 points

3rd Celeste Searle, ZS6CNS - 132 points

August

5 – SARL HF Phone Contest

9 – National Women's Day; SARL YL Sprint

9 to 11 – Schreiner Karoo Writers festival, Cradock; Oppikoppi, Northam, Limpopo

10 – School holiday

11 – Fort Notingham Highland Games, Fort Nothingham

10 to 12 – The Ross Taylor Benefit Surf Contest, Knysna; Slow 2012, Robertson

18 – World Geocaching Day

18 and 19 – International Light-house and Lightship Weekend

19 – SARL HF Digital Contest

19 – Oude Molen Distillery Mountain Bike Challenge, Elgin Valley

24 and 25 – Hantam Meat Festival, Calvinia

24 to 31 – Clanwilliam Wild Flower Show

26 – SARL HF CW Contest

31 Aug to 2 Sept – Winter Festival, Williston

September

1 – ZS6JVT 40 m Youth Contest

1 to 7 – National Arbour Week

5 – Secretaries Day

15 and 16 – SARL VHF/UHF Contest

16 – World Ozone Day

21 – Closing date October RAE

24 – Heritage Day; SARL Heritage Day Contest

26 – SARL Club Contest, SSB

27 – World Tourism Day

28 – Schools close

If you are attending any events, take your amateur radio with and spread the word about our hobby!





4th Jennie Warren, ZS4J - 131 points
5th Dawn Synders, ZS5ME - 99 points
6th Johan van Zijl, ZS4DZ - 52 points
7th Colette Rundle, ZS2CR - 47 points

Check logs

Barry Nugent, ZS2NF - 29 points

Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT - 12 points

The winner of the bouquet of flowers is Celeste Searle, ZS6CNS.

Congratulations to Judy and Celeste.

News from the Monitoring Service

Since 13 August, Radio Bangladesh is transmitting on 7 105 kHz. Harald, DL5HAQ, and Wolf, DF5SX, reported this as a "new intruder" in the 7 MHz band. The radio station has been spotted with a signal of S9 + 40 dB from 18:20 to 19:40 UTC, their homepage says their frequency is 7 250 kHz. Please observe this QRG in the evening and hours of night and inform the IARUMS if you hear it!

Wolf, DK2OM, has found an unknown burst system from France on 3 500, 7 000, 14 000 and 21 000 kHz, which is active at the full hour every day. The signals are coming from France but the purpose is unknown. An international appeal has been issued by the Germany agency.

Another unknown CLOVER 2000-mailbox has been spotted in the 21 MHz band during the day and night. This commercial mailbox sent idle tones on 21 138.5 kHz and its location is supposed to be in the Sultanate of Oman in the Middle East (reported by Wolf, DK2OM).

In July, the 15-metre band was again disturbed by the emissions of Over the Horizon (OTH) radars from Turkey and from the UK Royal Air Force on Cyprus. Mario, DG0JBJ, sent 27 reports of radars in this band. Due to poor conditions on 28 MHz, the radars avoided the 10 m band in July.

Also for July, Georg, DJ7KG, sent 203 reports of illegal driftnet buoys in the 28 000 - 28 540 kHz range using CW IDs with one, two or three letters.

If you discover a pirate radio within the exclusive amateur radio bands, please report it directly online to the "Intruder Logger" at <http://peditio.net/intruder/bluechat.cgi>. Take advantage of this opportunity

Amateur Radio Technical Article Archive

For the past 13 years, John, G8MNY, has been producing technical bulletins for distribution by Packet Radio, now the collection of articles is available on the web. The articles cover a wide range of subjects including Antennas, ATV, Broadcast, Modifications, Power Amplifiers and Portable and Mobile operation. If you want to know how to make a Slim Jim antenna, a battery charger or a 12V Cow Fence for /P operation there is an article in the archive. The extensive collection can be downloaded from www.theskywaves.net/technical.html





African DX

Angola, D2. Paulo "Paul," CT1FJZ, informs OPDX that he is now in Angola and is expected to be there for one year working in Benguela and Huambo. Look for him to be active as D2FJZ, mainly on the weekends and limited during the weekdays. Activity will be on 80 - 10 metres SSB using a TS-480S with 100 watts into an EZwire (160 - 10 m) and CT-V5a vertical antenna - 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 m). QSL via his home call sign, by the Bureau or direct.

Egypt, SU30. Members of the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society (ERASD) will activate special event station SU30ASR from Abu Qear, Alexandria, to be on the air between 24 August and 2 September. Activity is to celebrate the 30th anniversary of "Arab Scouts Radio Camp." Operations will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are Said, SU1SK, Atef, SU1AO and Ayman, SU1AR. QSL via SM5AQD. Visit the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society Facebook page to learn of upcoming activities and all news about ERASD at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Egyptian-Radio-Amateurs-Society-For-Development-ERASD/118552214859517>

Mauritania, 5T0, (Update). A group of Polish radio amateurs will be active as 5TOSP between 24 November and 10 December from Mauritania. They already have their license, which was possible thanks to the great kindness of the l' Autorité de Régulation of Mauretania and with a great help from Jean, 5T0JL. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160 - 10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Their license does not allow for 6 metres operations - perhaps it will change but it is not sure now. There will be a focus on JA and Far East. Operators mentioned are Bob, SP2EBG, Jan, SP3CYY, Jurek, SP3GEM, Wlodek, SP6EQZ, Ryszard, SP6FGY, Janusz, SP6IXF, and Jean, 5T0JL. They have not yet decided who will be the QSL Manager. It is not sure if they will have Internet access at their QTH. If they have access to the Internet, the logs will be uploaded daily to the ClubLog. Otherwise, logs will be uploaded to the ClubLog after the DXpedition. The DXpedition's Web site is at <http://5t0sp.dxing.pl>. You can find there the latest news and take part in their survey for bands/modes most needed. Any other questions or suggestions can be sent to 5t0sp@dxing.pl

Kenya, 5Z. Eric, SM1TDE, will be active as 5Z4/SM1TDE from Diani Beach, Mombasa, between 5 and 22 November. This will be a family vacation and activity will be limited to how much his XYL and kids allow. Activity will be on 40 - 10 metres on CW. QSL via his home call sign, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW. He thanks Ted, 5Z4NU, for getting his license application through the system. For more details, visit his HAM Blog at <http://www.sm1tde.bloggspace.se>

African Islands

Chagos Islands, VQ9, - Cancelled. Chuck, W4XP, who was expected to be active now as VQ9XP from the club station VQ9X on Diego Garcia Atoll (AF-006, WLOTA 1645, LOC MI62), reports: "I am sorry to report that the station has been placed off-limits by the installation Commander; therefore, I will not be operating from Diego Garcia on this trip."

Gough Island, ZD9. Look for Paul, ZD9KN, to be active from Gough Island (AF-030) until 31 September. He is there working as a radio/electronics technician. Activity will be on 160 - 10 metres using only SSB. His equipment is a Yaesu FT-2000 into a directive Multiband and In-





verted V dipole. For now the QSL is only via LoTW. All information to receive a QSL card will be published very soon on QRZ.com. The log is also uploaded to ClubLog.

Last Minute Update, per QRZ.com: Paul states, "ZD9KN log will be uploaded in its entirety to LoTW within 1 year from the end of the DXpedition. The information for the QSL will be published after the end of the DXpedition. The QSL card is via my QSL Manager IZ0UIM or LoTW.

The internet connection is not very good unfortunately, so there may be delays in response." Paul recommends that you check his log before sending a QSL card because there are PIRATES using his call sign. There was a report of a PIRATE on Sunday morning 19 August at 09:55 UTC. [OHIO/Penn DX Bulletin]

Crozet and Kerguelen, FT5W & FT5X. Gildas, TU5KG, will once again be active as TU5KG/MM in the vicinity of Crozet (FT5W?) and Kerguelen (FT5X?) during November and December. QSL via F4DXW.

Special Event Stations

The Netherlands. On 30 August the Netherlands will celebrate the official return of the Dutch astronaut Andre Kuipers, PI9ISS, from the ISS. The station PA6ISS will be active from the location of PG6N at Noordwijk Lighthouse (Netherlands 1324, Admiralty B0760, ARLHS NET-019) from 28 August until 2 September.

QSL via PA7DA. Also, see <http://pg6n.jouwweb.nl/pa6iss>

The Netherlands, PB100. To commemorate 100th anniversary of the ITU Prefixes, look for special event station PB100PREFIX to be active between 4 and 31 October. QSL via PB0P. After the tragic loss of the Titanic (Call sign MGY, the "M," is from the Marconi company) in April 1912, there was an acknowledgement that there should be international standards for radio communications. Therefore, the leading colonial countries planned several meetings in the aftermath of the loss of the Titanic. For more details, visit <http://www.PB100PREFIX.nl>

Contest Calendar

This week's contests compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is 20 to 27 August 2012.

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

01:00 - 03:00 UTC 20 August

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Band; All Band

Max power: 5 watts

Exchange: RST, state, province or country and member no or power

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 3 points per QSO with member on same continent; 5 points per QSO with member on different continent

Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once; Multiply mults by 2 if >50 members worked

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 26 August 2012





E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at: <http://fpgrp.org/pigrun/autolog.php>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://fpgrp.org/pigrun/>

SKCC Sprint

00:00 - 02:00 UTC 22 August

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10m

Classes: (none)

Exchange: RST, name, state, province or country and SKCC no or power

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Bonus Points: 5 points per Centurion member QSO per band; 10 points per Tribune member

QSO per band; 25 points per QSO with SKCC club call, K9SKC, per band

Multipliers: Each state, province or country once

Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 24 August 2012

E-mail log summary to: (none)

Post log summary at: <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/sks/sks-submit.html>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/sks/>

CWops Mini-CWT Test

13:00 - 14:00 UTC, 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 22 August and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 23 August

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: Member: Name and member no; non-Member: Name and state, province or country

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each call once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 25 August 2012

Post log summary at: <http://www.hornucopia.com/3830score/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

QRP Fox Hunt

01:00 - 02:30 UTC 24 August

Mode: CW

Bands: 20 m Only

Classes: Single Op - fox or hound

Max power: 5 watts

Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and power output





QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 02:30 UTC 25 August 2012

E-mail logs to: (see rules)

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: http://www.qrpfoxhunt.org/summer_rules.htm

NCCC Sprint Ladder

02:30 - 03:00 UTC 24 August

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m

Classes: Single Op

Max power: 100 watts

Exchange: (see rules)

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station

Multipliers: Each US state, including KL7 and KH6, once per band; Each VE province once per band; Each North American country (except W/VE) once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 26 August 2012

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at: <http://www.hornucopia.com/3830score/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

Hawaii QSO Party

04:00 UTC 25 August to 04:00 UTC, Aug 27

Mode: CW, Phone, RTTY, PSK

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Transmitter QRP Mixed; Single Op Mixed - low or high; Single Op Technician CW and SSB (200 W); Single Op CW High Power; Single Op Digital Low Power; Multi-Op

Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 150 watts; QRP: 5 watts CW/RTTY/PSK, 10 watts SSB

Exchange: HI: RS(T) and QTH ID; non-HI W/VE: RS(T) and state or province; DX: RS(T)

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: HI: Each HI QTH ID once; HI: Each state, province, territory or country once;

non-HI: Each HI QTH ID once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 1 October 2012

E-mail logs to: awards@hawaiiqsoparty.org

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://hawaiiqsoparty.org/HIQSOPartyRules-2012.html>

SCC RTTY Championship





12:00 UTC 25 August to 11:59 UTC 26 August

Mode: RTTY

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op All Band - low or high; Single Op Single Band; Multi-Op

Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts

Exchange: RST and 4-digit year license first issued

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with same country; 2 points per QSO with same continent, different country; 2 points per QSO between different W, VE, VK, ZL, ZS, JA and PY call areas, LU provinces and Asiatic Russia UA9/UA0 oblasts; 3 points per QSO with different continent

Multipliers: Each 4-digit year licensed once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 3 September 2012

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at: http://lea.hamradio.si/scc/rtty/rtty_log_submission.htm

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://lea.hamradio.si/scc/rtty/rttyrules.htm>

YO DX HF Contest

12:00 UTC 25 August to 12:00 UTC 26 August

Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op All Band - CW, SSB or mixed - high or low; Single Op Single Band; Multi-Op Single Transmitter; Youngster/Novice <16y

Max power: High: >100 W; Low: 100 W or less

Exchange: YO: RS(T) and district; non-YO: RS(T) and serial no

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: 8 points per QSO with YO station; 4 points per QSO with non-YO station on different continent; 2 points per QSO with non-YO station in different country, same continent; 1 point per QSO with non-YO station in same country

Multipliers: Each DXCC country (not YO) once per band; Each YO district once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 25 September 2012

E-mail logs to: yodx-contest@hamradio.ro

Mail logs to: FRR, PO Box 22-50, Bucharest RO-014780, Romania

Find rules at: <http://www.yodx.ro/en/hf-contest/rules>

Kansas QSO Party

14:00 UTC 25 August to 02:00 UTC 26 August and 14:00 - 20:00 UTC 26 August

Mode: CW, SSB, Digital

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, 2 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Multi-Op; Youth; Canada; DX

Mobile Single Op (CW or mixed) Low Power; Mobile Multi-Op Single Radio; Mobile Unlimited; Mobile SSB Low Power; Youth KS

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: KS: RS(T) and county; non-KS: RS(T) and state, VE section or "DX"

Work stations: Once per band per mode





QSO Points: 2 points per phone QSO; 3 points per CW/digital QSO; Bonus: 100 points for at least one QSO with K0A; 100 points for at least one QSO with KS0KS

Multipliers: KS: Each US state, VE section and "DX" once; non-KS: Each KS county once

Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and Bonus Points

Submit logs by: 1 October 2012

E-mail logs to: logs@ksqsoparty.org

Mail logs to: Kansas QSO Party, c/o Bob Harder, W0BH, Box 3000, Hesston, KS 67062, USA

Find rules at: <http://www.ksqsoparty.org/rules/>

QRP ARCI Welcome to QRP

15:00 - 18:00 UTC 25 August

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - All band, low band or high band

Elmer Assisted - All band, low band or high band

Exchange: RST, state, province or country, ARCI number or power

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 5 points per QSO with ARCI member; 4 points per non-member QSO with different continent; 2 points per non-member QSO with same continent

Bonus points: 5 000 for battery power portable with temporary antenna

Multipliers: States, once per band; VE Provinces, once per band; Countries, once per band

Power Mult: >5 W = x 1, 1 - 5 W = x 7, 500 mW - 1 W = x 10, 200 - 500 mW = x 15, 55 - 200 mW = x 20, <55 mW = x 25

Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x (state mults and province mults and country mults) x power mult) and bonus points

Submit logs by: 9 September 2012

E-mail logs to: contest@qrparci.org

Mail logs to: QRP ARCI Welcome to QRP Contest, c/o Jim Rodenkirch, K9JWV, 762 Saint James Lane, Saint George, UT 84790, USA

Find rules at: <http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8397/118/>

Ohio QSO Party

16:00 UTC 25 August to 04:00 UTC 26 August

Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - high, low or QRP; Multi-Op; Mobile; Rover

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts

QRP: 5 watts CW, 10 watts SSB

Exchange: OH: Serial no and county; non-OH: Serial no and state, province or "DX"

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: 1 point per SSB QSO; 2 points per CW QSO

Multipliers: OH Stations: Each state, province, OH county, 1 DX once per mode; non-OH

Stations: Each OH county once per mode

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults (see rules for mobile stations)

Submit logs by: 24 September 2012





E-mail logs to: logs@ohqp.org

Mail logs to: Ohio QSO Party, c/o Jim Stahl, K8MR, 30499 Jackson Rd., Chagrin Falls, OH 44022-1730, USA

Find rules at: <http://www.ohqp.org/adminRules.htm>

CVA DX SSB Contest

21:00 UTC 25 August to 21:00 UTC 26 August

Mode: SSB

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Single Op Single Band - low or high; Multi-Single

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: RS and type/UF (see rules)

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: Each UF once per band; Each country once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 15 September 2012

E-mail logs to: ssb@craec.org

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://www.craec.org>

SARL HF CW Contest

13:00 - 16:00 UTC 26 August

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40, 20 m

Classes: Single Op All Band; Single Op Single Band; Multi-Op All Band; Multi-Op Single Band; SWL

Exchange: RST and serial no

Score Calculation: (see rules)

Submit logs by: 2 September 2012

E-mail logs to: zs4bfn@netactive.co.za

Mail logs to: Bloemfontein RAC, Box 12104, Brandhof, 9324, South Africa

Find rules at:

http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf

Next Week's Contests

QRP Fox Hunt, 01:00 - 02:30 UTC 31 August

NCCC Sprint Ladder, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 31 August

All Asian DX Contest, Phone, 00:00 UTC 1 September to 24:00 UTC 2 September

Russian RTTY WW Contest, 00:00 - 24:00 UTC 1 September

CW Ops CW Open, 12:00 - 15:59 UTC, 20:00 - 23:59 UTC 1 September and 04:00 - 07:59 UTC 2 September

Colorado QSO Party, 12:00 UTC 1 September to 04:00 UTC 2 September

AGCW Straight Key Party, 13:00 - 16:00 UTC 1 September

DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest, 11:00 - 17:00 UTC 2 September

Tennessee QSO Party, 18:00 UTC 2 September to 03:00 UTC 3 September





MI QRP Labour Day CW Sprint, 23:00 UTC 3 September to 03:00 UTC 4 September
ARS Spartan Sprint, 01:00 - 03:00 UTC 4 September

History This Week

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW and Dennis, ZS4BS. The week starting Monday 20 August 2012.

55 BC - Roman forces under Julius Caesar invade Britain.

1609 - Galileo demonstrates his first telescope to Venetian lawmakers

1814 - The British sack Washington, DC. The Government House is burnt, painted with white-wash to cover the damage. Hence the name, the White House, was born.

1851 - Gold discovered in Australia

1884 - First known photograph of a tornado is made near Howard, South Dakota

1889 - First ship-to-shore wireless message received in San Francisco

1913 - Lt Peter Nesterov, of the Imperial Russian Air Service, performs a loop in a monoplane at Kiev (first aerobatic manoeuvre in an airplane)

1939 - Erich Warsitz makes the first jet-propelled flight in a Heinkel He-178

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